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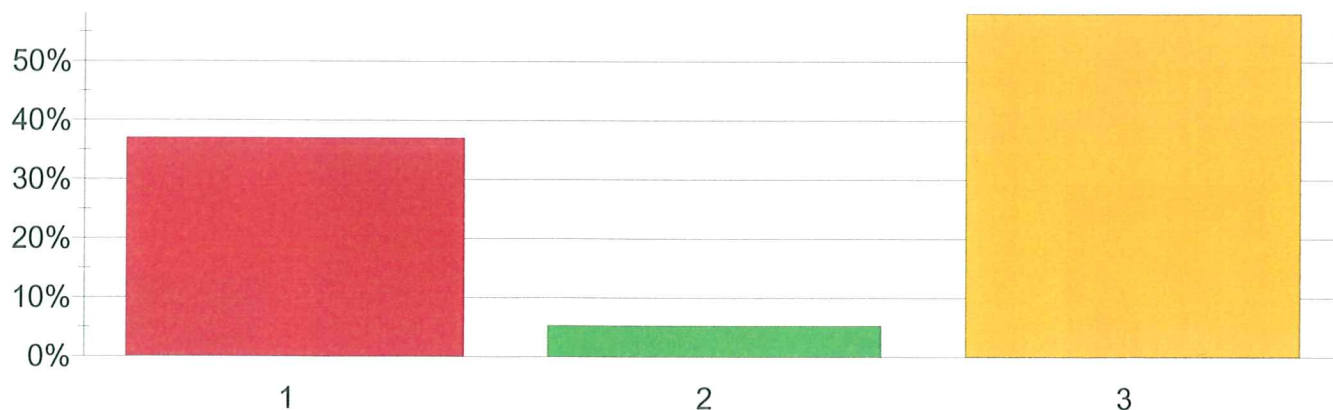
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3	K-14											
3	#	14	2	22								38
3	%	36.8	5.3	57.9								38

K - 14 Education

How much should California spend per student?

1. No change: K-12 per pupil spending in 2014-15, will be \$10,400. This is 24% below the national average.
2. Save \$8.4 billion by reducing per pupil spending to 33% below the national average, holding growth in total funding below the required Proposition 98 rate.
3. Add \$12.7 billion to the deficit by increasing per pupil spending to 12% below the national average.

K-14



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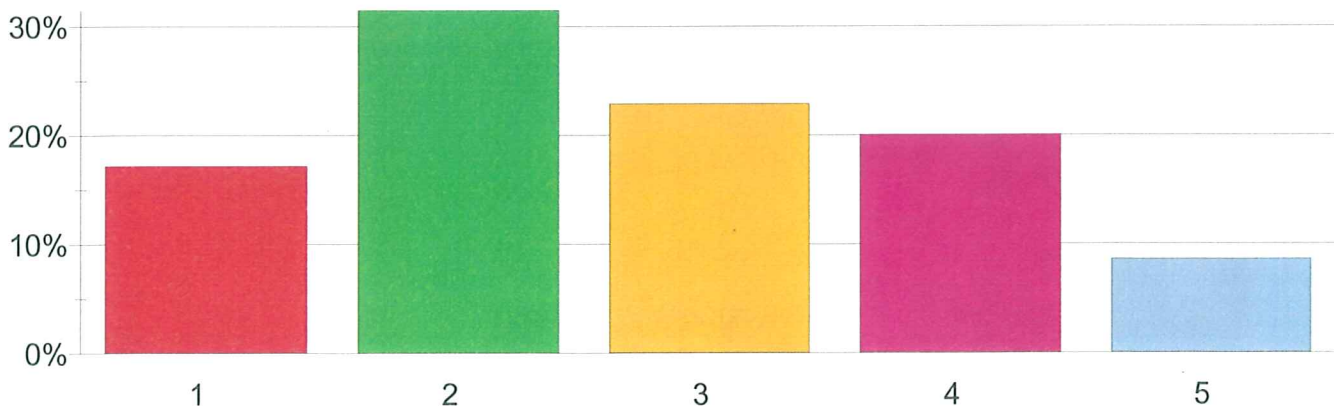
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4	UC and CSU											35
4	#	6	11	8	7	3						35
4	%	17.1	31.4	22.9	20.0	8.6						35

UC and CSU

What should California's fee and enrollment policy be for UC and CSU?

1. No change: Increase tuition for UC and CSU by about 10%.
2. Spend \$1.4 billion and keep fees flat for the next 5 years after the 2010-11 increases.
3. Spend \$600 million and slow the fee increase to 4% per year after the 2010-11 increases.
4. Save \$1.3 billion by continuing to increase fees by 10% per year after 2010-11 and reduce costs by eliminating new Cal Grants in 2010-2011 and not covering the cost of fee increases.
5. Save \$3.8 billion and increase fees an additional 20% after the current increases and reduce enrollment by 20% (-40k UC, -60k CSU).

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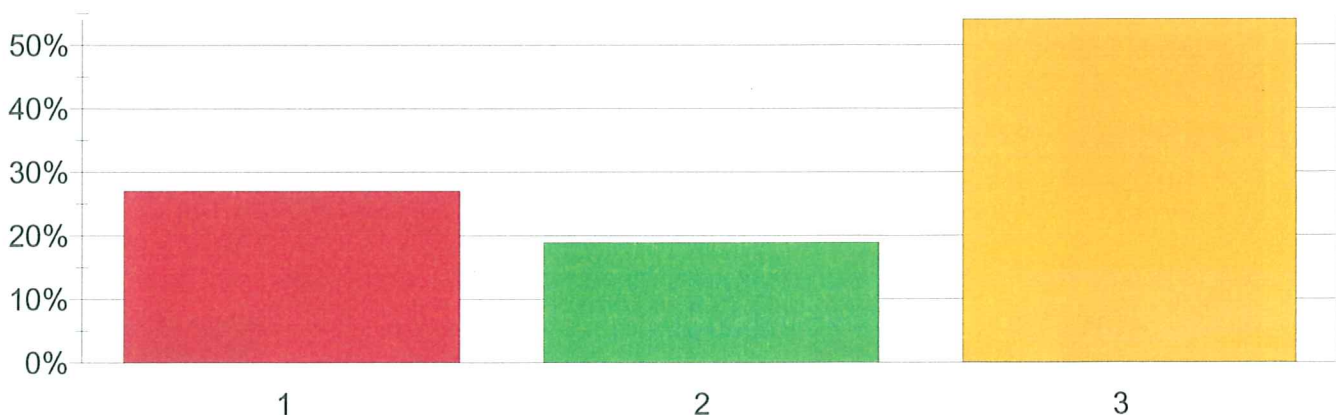
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5	Health Care	[NC=3 CA=0 WT=0 AVG=2.270 SD=0.87]										37
5	#	10	7	20								37
5	%	27.0	18.9	54.1								37

Health Care

Should California scale back or expand health care coverage provided through the Medi-Cal program?

1. No change: Do not expand or reduce funding for the Medi-Cal program.
2. Save \$1.6 billion by reducing spending for Medi-Cal by 1) implementing various cost containment strategies, 2) eliminating full scope Medi-Cal for newly qualified immigrants, and reduce funding for community mental health services by 60%.
3. Spend \$600 million to expand Medi-Cal eligibility for working families with two children from the current annual income level of about \$22,000 to \$44,000, as well as expand eligibility for the Healthy Families program.

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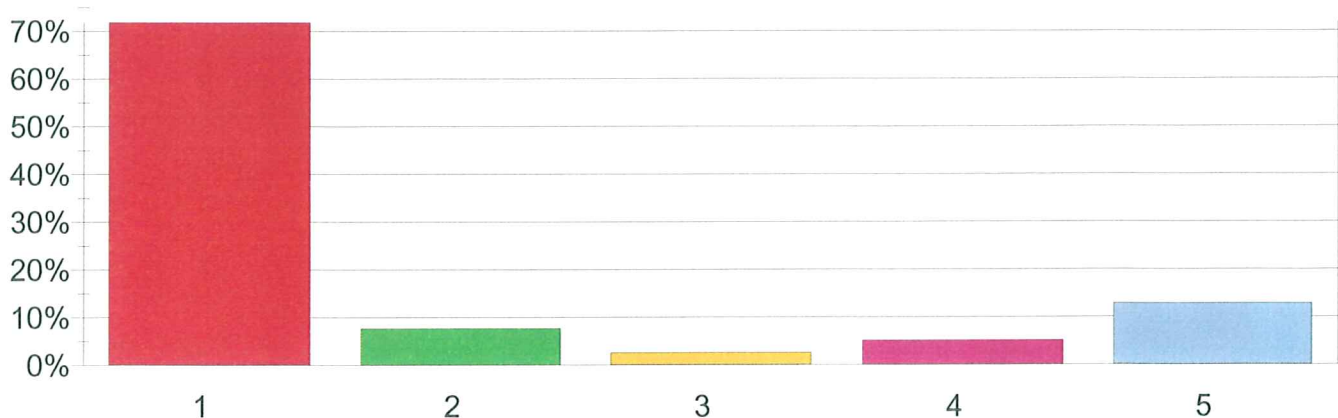
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6	Human Services	[NC=5 CA=0 WT=0 AVG=1.795 SD=1.45]										39
6	#	28	3	1	2	5						39
6	%	71.8	7.7	2.6	5.1	12.8						39

Human Services

Should spending for human services programs be reduced?

1. No change: Human services programs should not be reduced.
2. Save \$800 million and work with stakeholders to reduce IHSS (In-Home Supportive Services) costs, possibly by reducing state participation in IHSS provider wages and limiting services to only the most needy.
3. Save \$700 million by reducing funding for CalWORKs by reducing cash grants and making other changes.
4. Save \$1.5 billion by reducing wages and services under IHSS and reduce cash assistance for poor children and families.
5. Save \$5.8 billion and eliminate both programs CalWORKs and IHSS

Human Services



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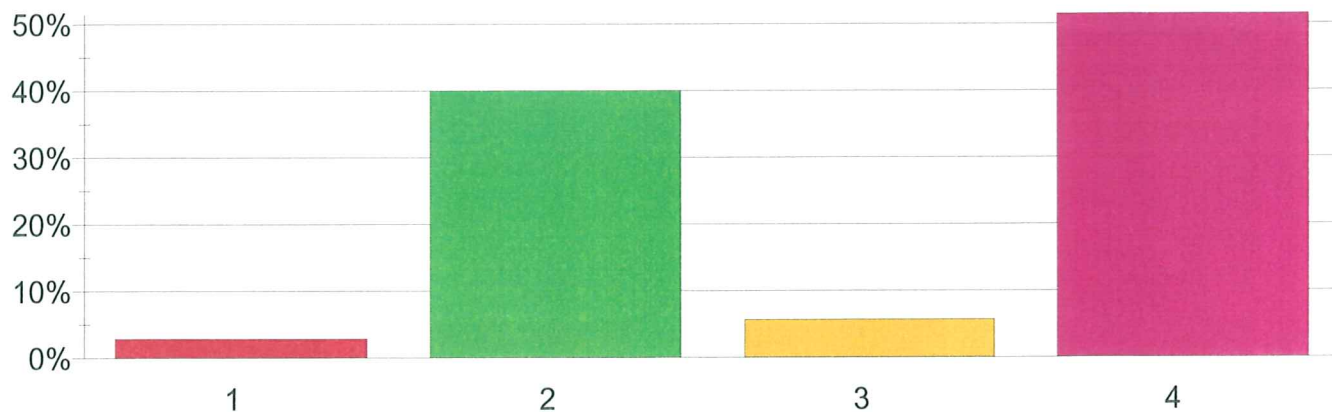
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7	Criminal Justice											35
7	#	1	14	2	18							35
7	%	2.9	40.0	5.7	51.4							35

Criminal Justice

Should corrections costs be reduced?

1. No change: maintain current sentencing requirements.
2. Save \$800 million and make certain low-level felonies subject to incarceration in county jail.
3. Save \$900 million and reduce spending on inmate health care services nearer to the level of other states.
4. Save \$1.7 billion and reduce spending on inmate health care services and make certain low-level felonies subject to incarceration in county jails.

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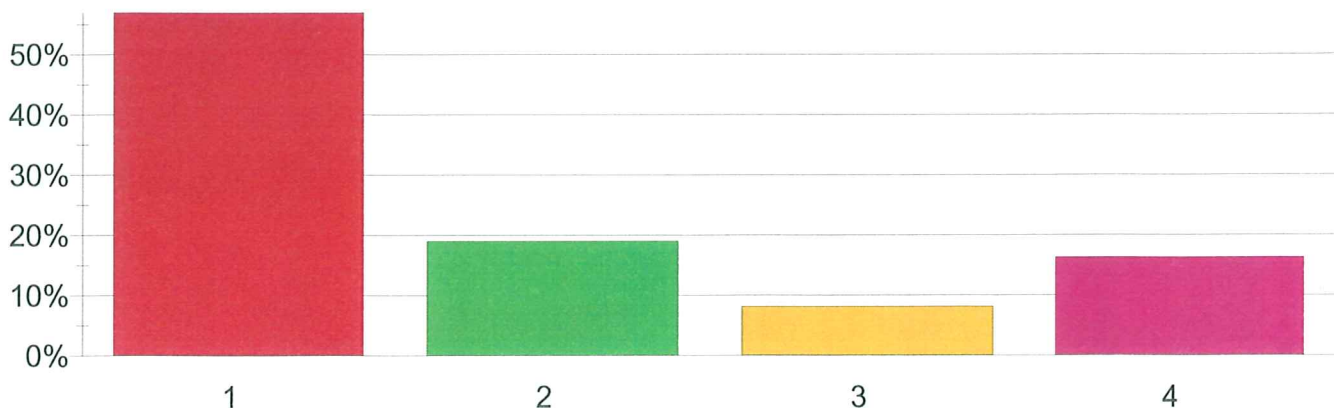
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8	Jobs											37
8	#	21	7	3	6							37
8	%	56.8	18.9	8.1	16.2							37

Jobs

Should the state expand eligibility for unemployment insurance (UI) benefits and/or provide additional training services to displaced workers?

1. No change: Do not increase unemployment and training benefits.
2. Expand unemployment benefit eligibility by using workers' most recent earnings. This would not affect the General Fund but could worsen the condition of the state's UI Fund.
3. Spend \$500 million to increase life skills, re-entry training and job placement services.
4. Spend \$500 million and increase both unemployment and training benefits.

Jobs



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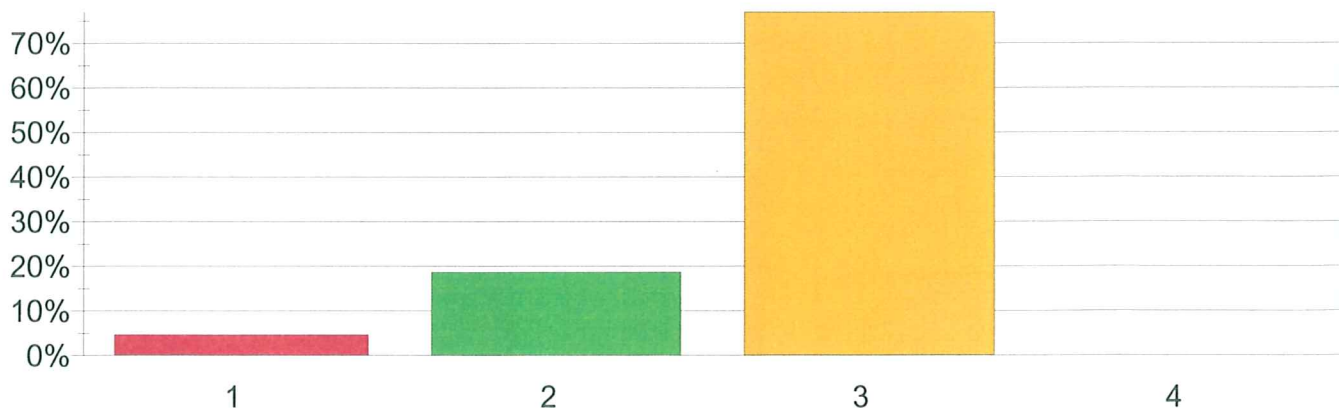
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9	Income Tax											43
9	#	2	8	33	0							43
9	%	4.7	18.6	76.7	0.0							43

Income Tax

Should California raise or lower the income tax?

1. No change: Let the tax increase expire at the end of 2010 and do not raise or lower the tax at that point.
2. Extend the current 0.25% rate increase on all taxpayers beyond 2010, increasing revenues by \$2.9 billion.
3. Raise taxes on upper income families by reinstating the 10 and 11% brackets after the current increase expires, increasing revenues by \$4.8 billion.
4. Cut income taxes for all income taxpayers by 0.25%, reducing revenues by \$2.9 billion.

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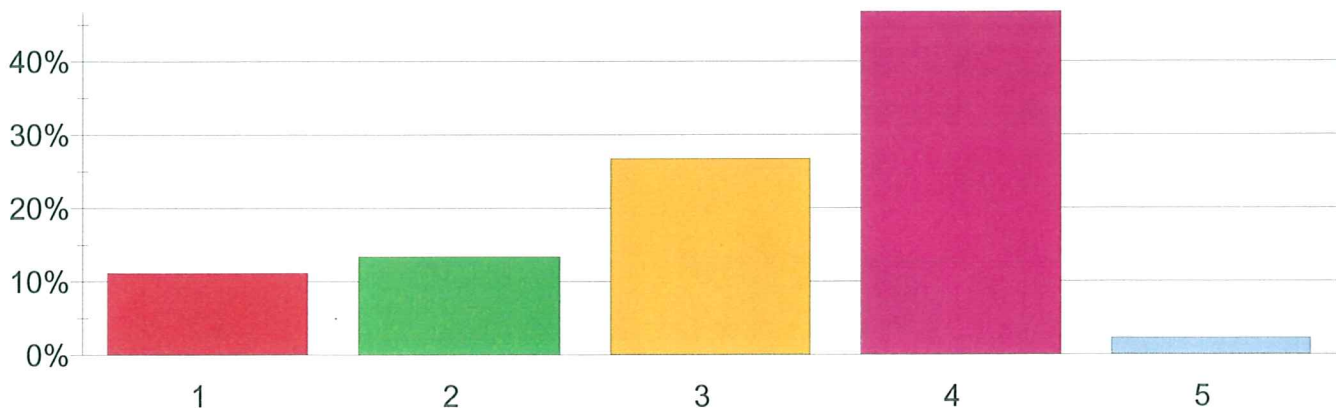
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10	Sales Tax				[NC=5	CA=0	WT=0	AVG=3.156	SD=1.07]		45
10	#	5	6	12	21	1						45
10	%	11.1	13.3	26.7	46.7	2.2						45

Sales Tax

Should California raise or lower the sales tax?

1. No change: Keep the sales tax base as is and let current 1% rate increase expire at the end of June 2011.
2. Extend the 1% sales tax increase beyond June 2011, increasing revenues by \$5.8 billion in 2014-2015.
3. Expand the sales tax base, increasing state revenues by \$2.9 billion per year in 2014-2015.
4. Extend the 1% sales tax increase beyond June 2011 and expand the base, increasing revenues by \$8.7 billion in 2014-2015.
5. Reduce revenues by \$2.9 billion and cut the sales tax rate by one-half percent.

Sales Tax



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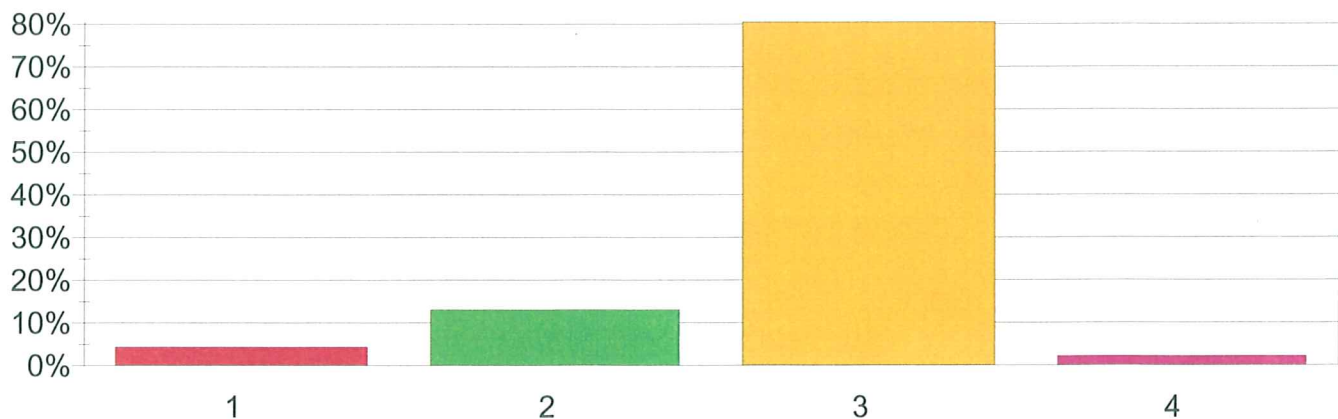
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11	Car Tax											46
11	#	2	6	37	1							46
11	%	4.3	13.0	80.4	2.2							46

Car Tax

What would you like the Vehicle License Fee (VLF) to be?

1. No change: Let the VLF fall back to the 0.65% rate when the increase expires at the end of June 2010-2011.
2. Increase revenues by \$1.1 billion and extend the VLF increase of 1.15% beyond 2010-2011.
3. Reinstate the higher 1997 fee level (2%), saving \$4.2 billion in 2014-2015.
4. Hold the state's income from vehicle license fees constant but base the fee on the vehicle's gas mileage and age instead of the vehicle's price and age.

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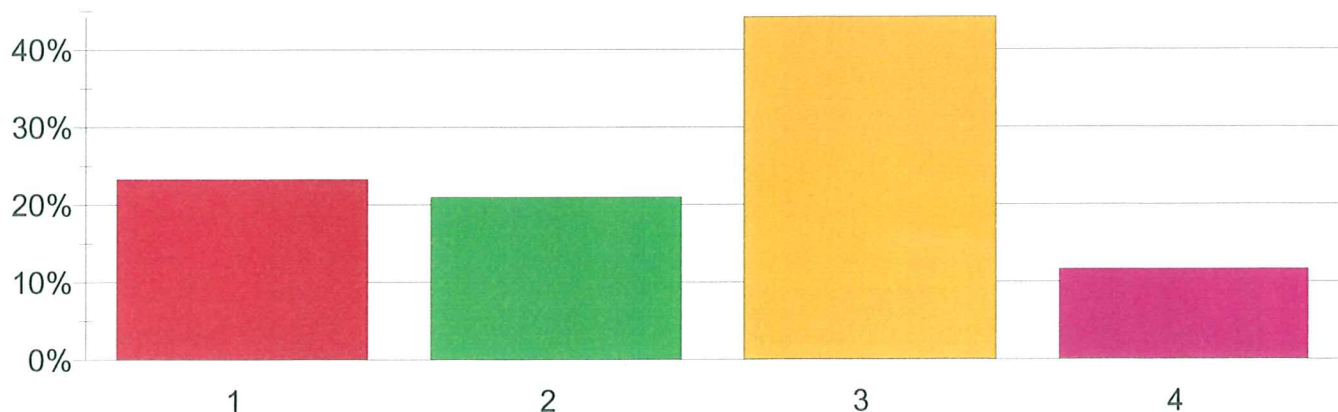
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12	Corporation Tax											43
12	#	10	9	19	5							43
12	%	23.3	20.9	44.2	11.6							43

Corporation Tax

Should the corporation tax be raised or lowered?

1. No change: The corporation tax rate should be left at its current level of 8.84%.
2. Increase revenues by \$900 million and increase the corporation tax rate to its prior peak of 9.6%.
3. Repeal the business tax breaks provided as part of recent budget agreements, increasing revenues by \$1.9 billion in 2014-2015.
4. Reduce the corporation tax rate to 8.1%, which would reduce revenues by \$900 million in 2014-2015.

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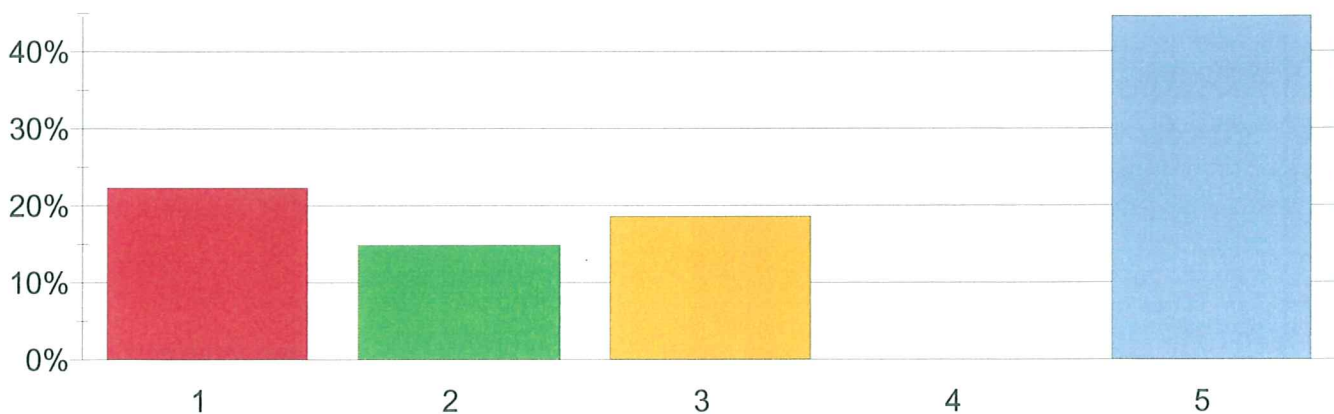
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13	Tax Credits											27
13	#	6	4	5	0	12						27
13	%	22.2	14.8	18.5	0.0	44.4						27

Tax Credits

Should California restrict or eliminate tax breaks to help balance the budget?

1. No change: Do not change any of the state's tax credits or deductions.
2. Save \$1 billion and replace the mortgage interest deduction with a tax credit equal to 5% of mortgage interest.
3. Save \$400 million and eliminate the ability of investors to avoid capital gains on the increased value of similar properties by trading rather than selling those properties.
4. Increase revenues by \$300 million and reduce the research and development credit for businesses.
5. Increase revenues by \$1.7 billion and reduce all three tax breaks.

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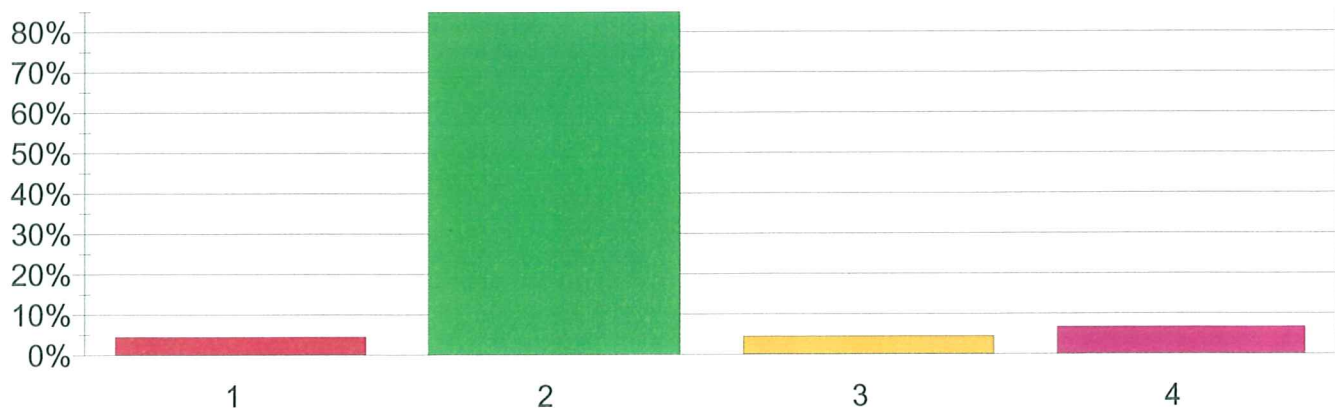
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14	Property Tax											45
14	#	2	38	2	3							45
14	%	4.4	84.4	4.4	6.7							45

Property Tax

Would you like to change the current property tax system?

1. No change: Keep the current rules.
2. Increase revenues by \$1.6 billion and allow more frequent reassessment of non-residential property values.
3. Increase revenues by \$1.2 billion and allow assessed values of ALL property in California to increase at a rate of 4% per year instead of the current 2%.
4. Change the policy, cutting the tax rate by 50% and reassessing the value of ALL properties annually. This way, property taxes will be much lower at the start, benefiting new homeowners, but much higher as the property increases in value.

Property Tax



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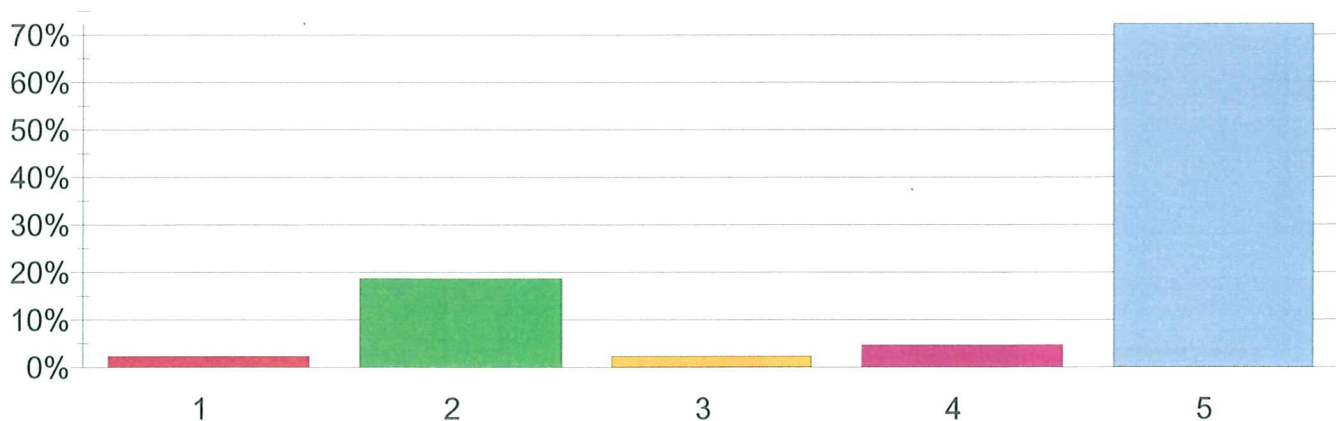
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15	Other Taxes											43
15	#	1	8	1	2	31						43
15	%	2.3	18.6	2.3	4.7	72.1						43

Other Taxes

Should California raise Other Taxes to help close the deficit?

1. No change: California should not raise additional revenue from these sources?
2. Impose a 12.5% oil severance tax, raising \$1.5 billion per year by 2014-15.
3. Increase the cigarette tax by \$1.50 per pack, raising \$1.2 billion for the General Fund by 2014-15.
4. Impose a tax on marijuana consumption raising about \$1.2 billion annually by 2014-15.
5. Raise all three taxes: oil severance, cigarette, and marijuana, raising about \$3.9 billion by 2014-15.

Other Taxes



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16	Carbon Tax											43
16	#	2	20	4	6	11						43
16	%	4.7	46.5	9.3	14.0	25.6						43

Carbon Tax

Should California institute a carbon tax of \$13 per ton?

1. No change: California should not implement a carbon tax.
2. Increase revenues by \$6.2 billion and institute a carbon tax.
3. Increase revenues by \$3.1 billion and institute a carbon tax, using half the revenues on income tax rebates for low-income taxpayers.
4. Institute a carbon tax and use revenue generated to support alternative energy efforts.
5. Institute a carbon tax, using half the revenues on income tax rebates for low-income taxpayers, and the remaining revenues to support alternative energy efforts.

Carbon Tax

